

# LASH's Past, Present and Future



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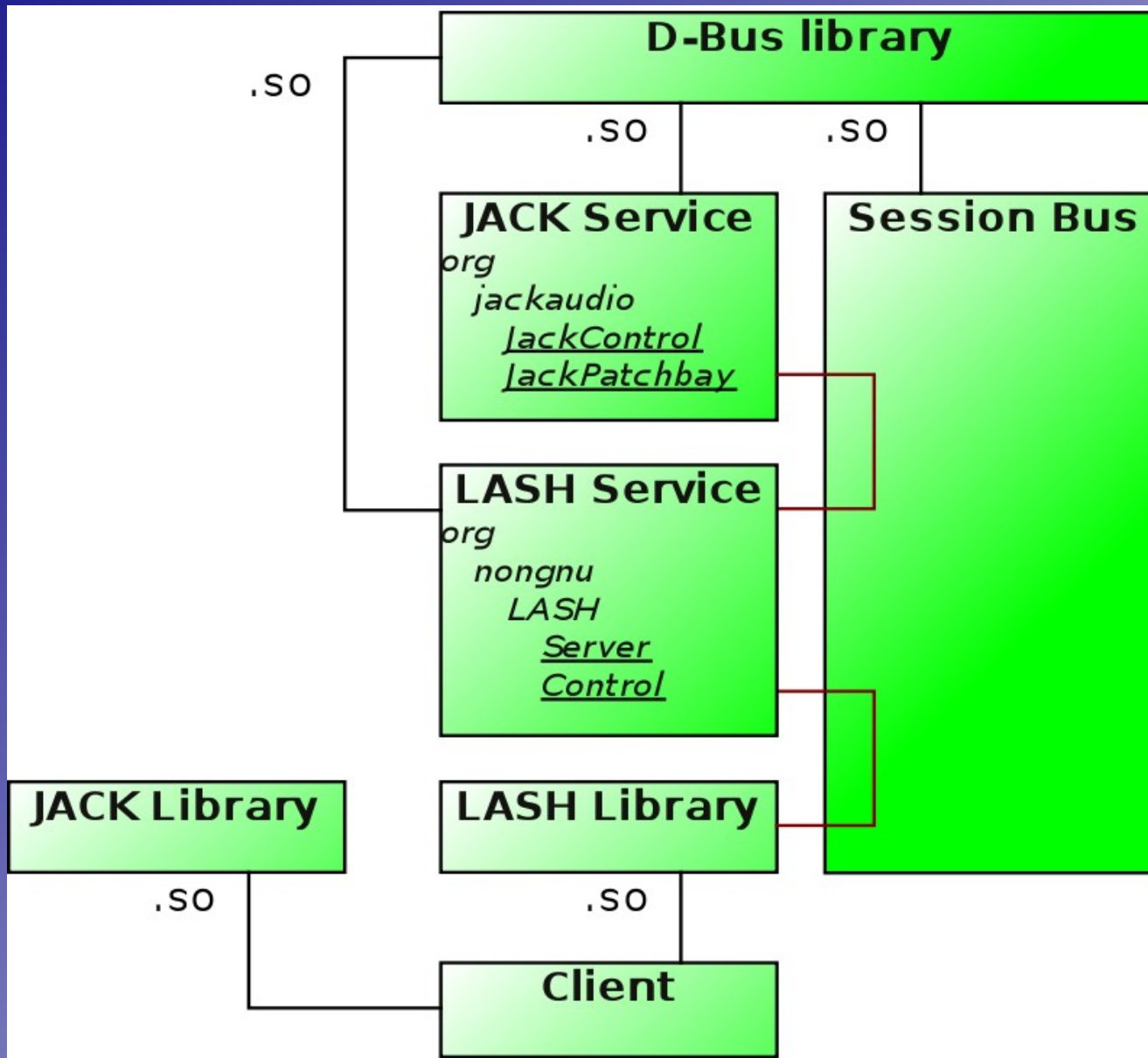


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- Audio applications still link normally against libjack.so and liblash.so



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// Send client name
lash_event_t *event =
    lash_event_new_with_type(LASH_Client_Name);
lash_send_event(client, event);
```



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while (1) {
    if ((event = lash_get_event(client)) == <...>) {
        <...>
    }
    lash_event_destroy(event);
}

```



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```
// Create client  
int flags = LASH_Config_Data_Set;  
lash_client_t *client = lash_client_open("Class", flags,  
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// Set callbacks  
lash_set_save_data_set_callback(client, save_cb, NULL);  
lash_set_load_data_set_callback(client, load_cb, NULL);  
lash_set_quit_callback(client, quit_cb, NULL);
```



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```
// Process  
while (1) {  
    lash_wait(client);  
    lash_dispatch(client);  
}
```



# New API

```
// Create controller
```

```
lash_client_t *client = lash_client_open_controller();
```

```
// Set control callback
```

```
lash_set_control_callback(client, ctrl_cb, NULL);
```

```
/* Control methods include:
```

- lash\_control\_load\_project\_path(client, "/path")
- lash\_control\_save\_project(client, "project");
- lash\_control\_close\_project(client, "project");
- etc. \*/



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See you at the LASH workshop!

